

# **Sharp Semiclassical Spectral Estimates with Remainder Terms**

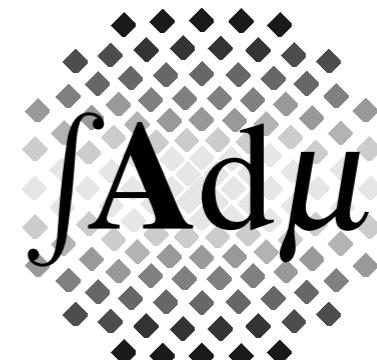
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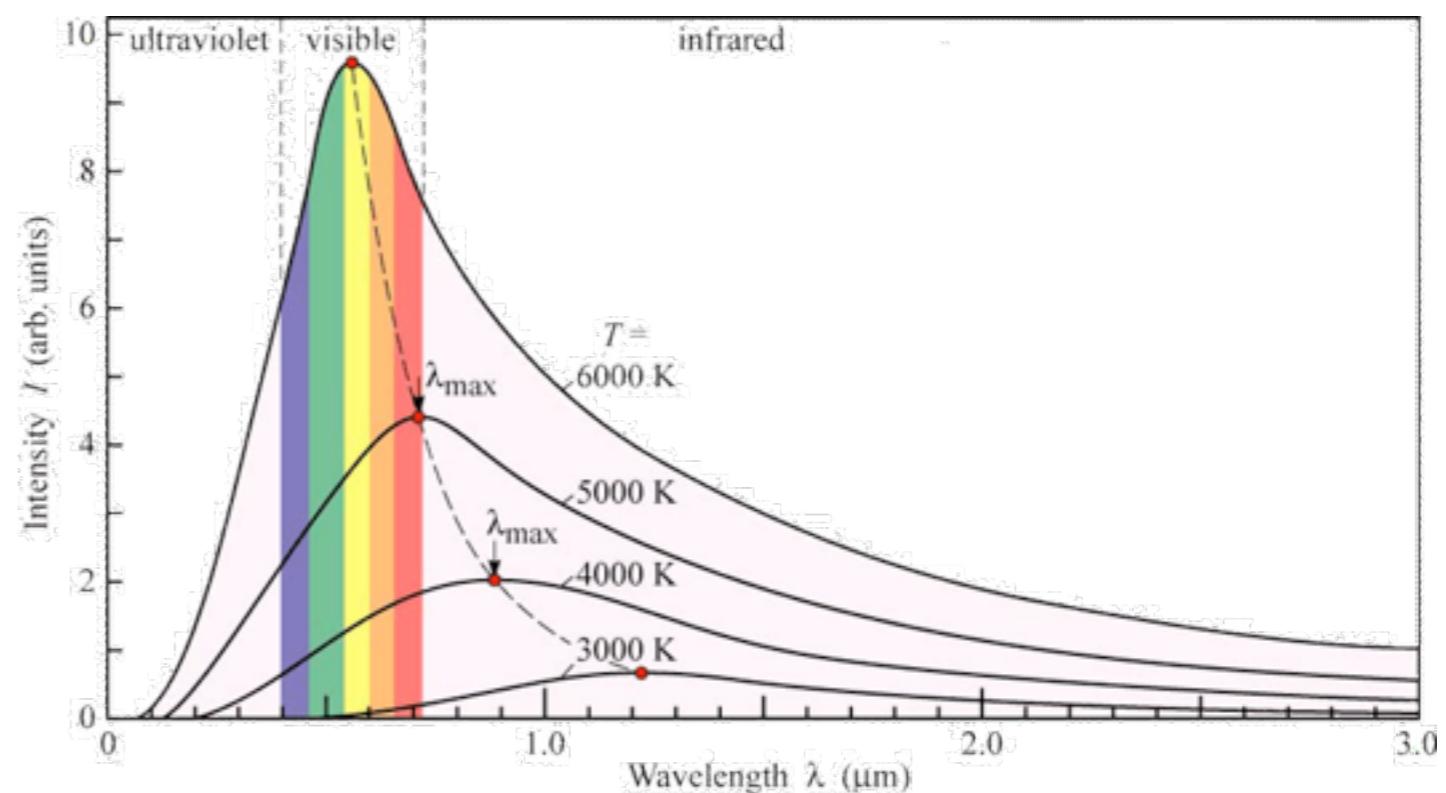
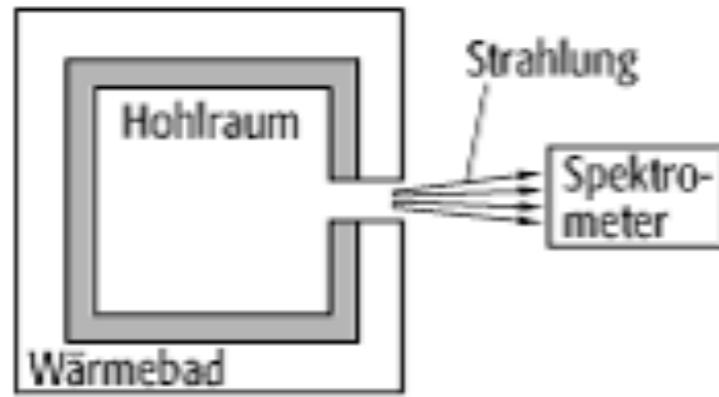
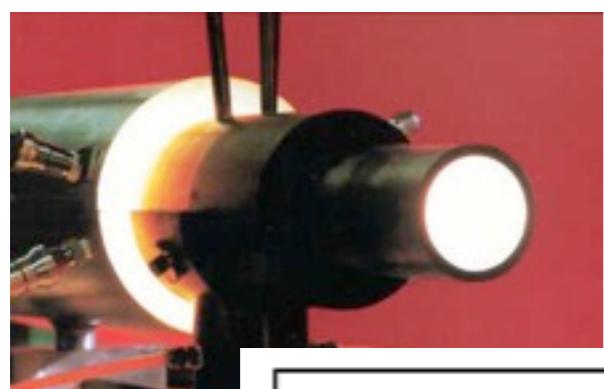
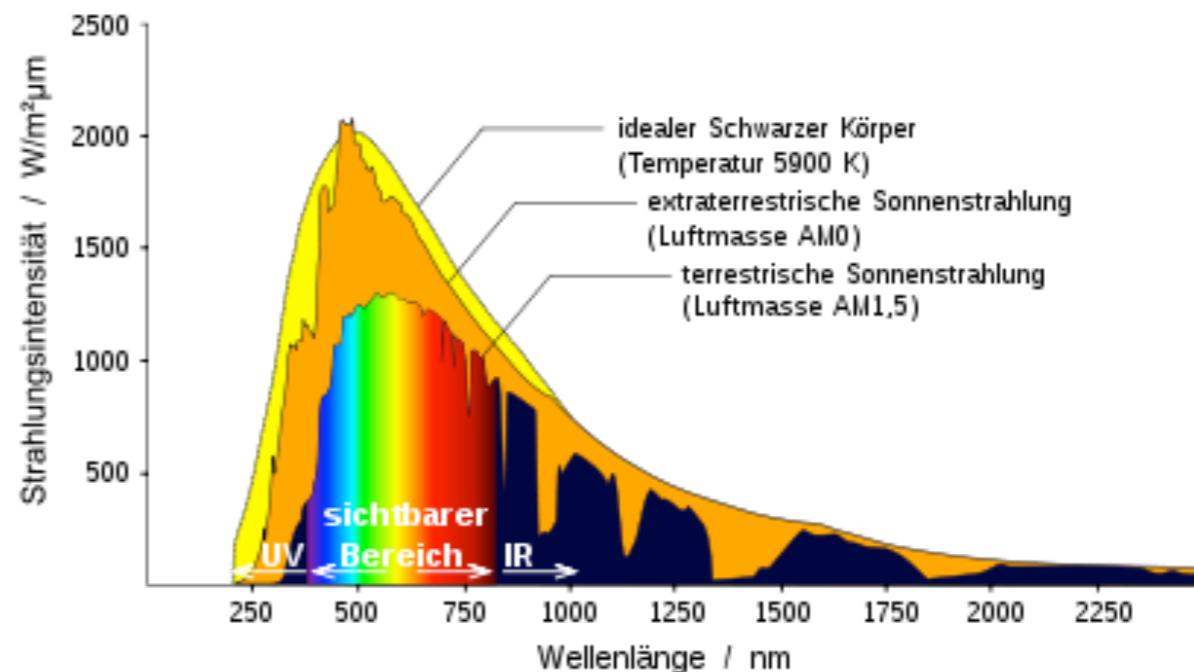
*Carl Friedrich von Siemens Stiftung*



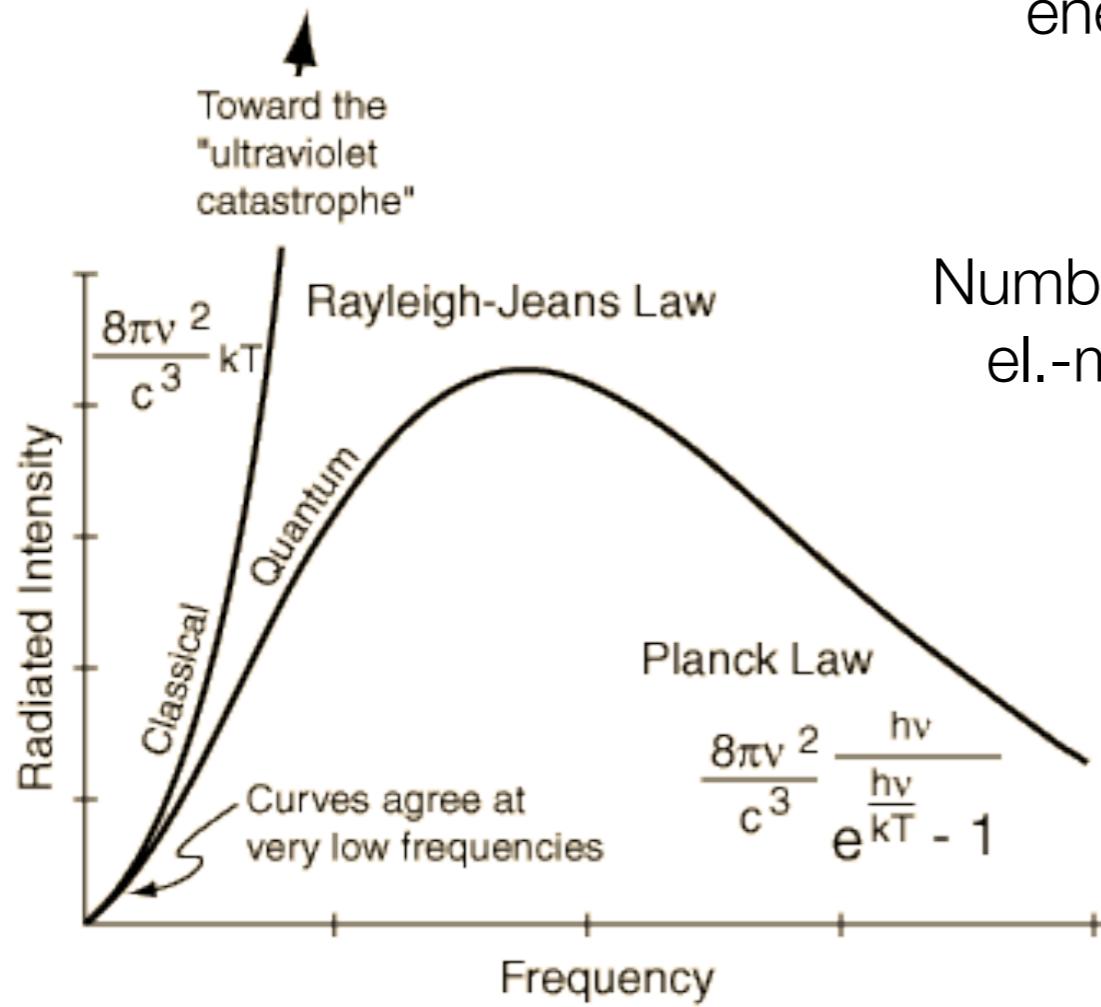
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# The colour of the sun

## The sun - a black body?



# Rayleigh-Jeans` and Planck`s radiation law



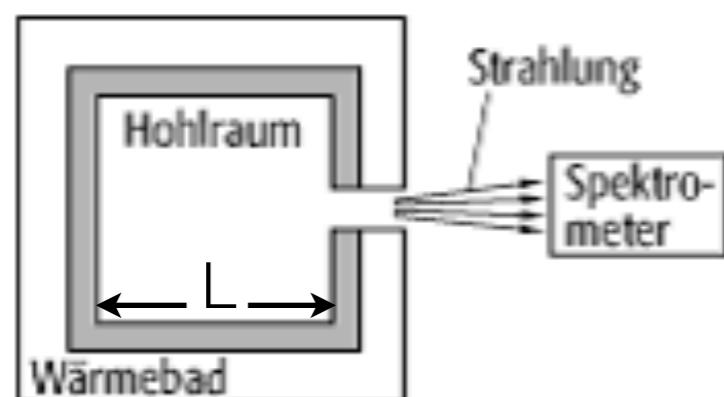
energy of el.-m. radiation in a cube of length L  
in the frequency interval  $d\nu$  is given by

Number of modes  $dN$  of the  
el.-magn. resonator in the  
frequency range

$$[\nu, \nu + d\nu]$$

Average energy  
 $\times E(\nu)$  at the frequency  $\nu$

$$dN \times E(\nu)$$



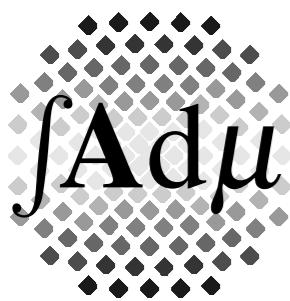
Rayleigh-Jeans

$$E(\nu) = kT$$

Planck

$$E(\nu) = \frac{h\nu}{e^{\frac{h\nu}{kT}} - 1}$$

$$dN = \frac{8\pi\nu^2 d\nu}{c^3} L^3$$



# Planck's radiation law

sparks theory of spectral asymptotics

sparks Quantum Mechanics

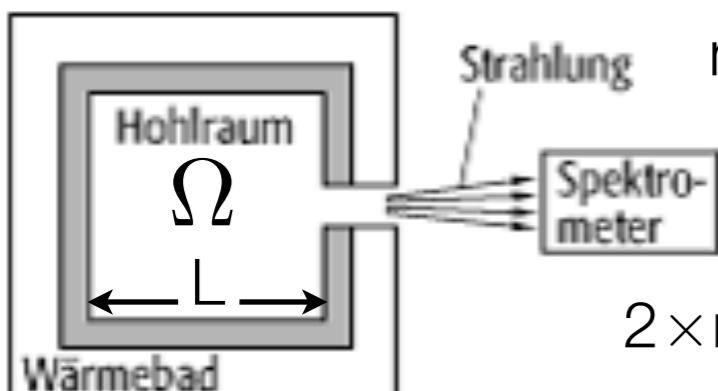
$$\frac{8\pi\nu^2 d\nu}{c^3} L^3 \times \frac{h\nu}{e^{\frac{h\nu}{kT}} - 1}$$

universal radiation law  
classification of stars, 3K background radiation

$$dN = \frac{8\pi\nu^2 d\nu}{c^3} L^3$$

corresponds to

$$N = \frac{8\pi\nu^3}{3c^2} L^3 = 2 \times \frac{4\pi}{3} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \Lambda^{\frac{3}{2}} \text{vol}(\Omega)$$

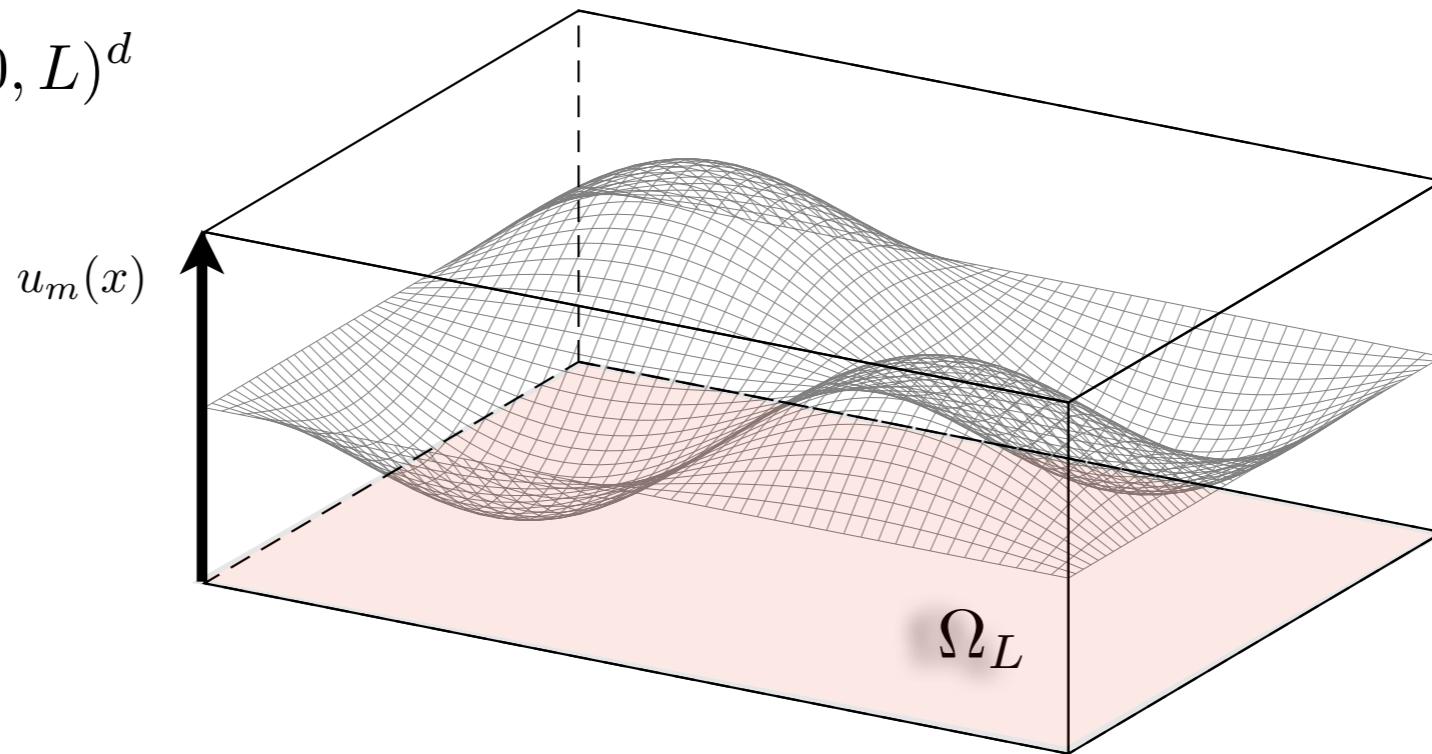


number of modes with frequencies not exceeding  $\nu$  in the cube  $\Omega$

$2 \times$  number of the eigenvalues of the Dirichlet Laplacian in the cube  $\Omega$   
not exceeding  $\Lambda = 4\pi^2\nu^2 c^{-2}$ .

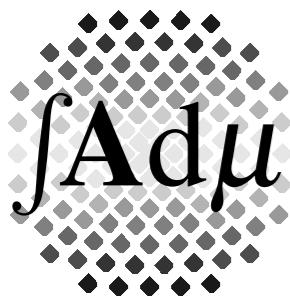
# Modes in a cubic resonator

$$\Omega = \Omega_L = (0, L)^d$$



$$-\Delta u_m(x) = \lambda_m^D(\Omega_L) u_m(x)$$

$$u_m(x) = \prod_{k=1}^d \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{L} m_k x_k\right), \quad \lambda_m^D(\Omega_L) = \frac{\pi^2}{L^2} \sum_{k=1}^d m_k^2, \quad m_k = 1, 2, \dots,$$



# Number of modes in a cube

The Dirichlet or Neumann eigenfunction in the cube  $\Omega_L = \{0 < x_k < L \mid k = 1, \dots, d\}$

are given by

$$u_m(x) = \prod_{k=1}^d \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{L} m_k x_k\right), \quad \lambda_m^D(\Omega_L) = \frac{\pi^2}{L^2} \sum_{k=1}^d m_k^2, \quad m_k = 1, 2, \dots,$$
$$u_m(x) = \prod_{k=1}^d \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{L} m_k x_k\right), \quad \lambda_m^N(\Omega_L) = \frac{\pi^2}{L^2} \sum_{k=1}^d m_k^2, \quad m_k = 0, 1, \dots,$$

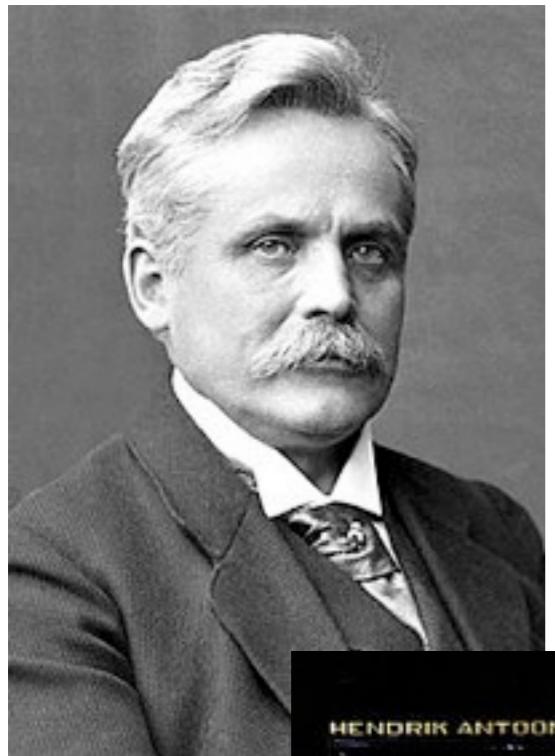
Hence

$$\begin{aligned} n_{D,N}^{\Omega_L}(\Lambda) &= \# \left\{ m \in \mathbb{Z}^d \mid \|m\|^2 \leq \frac{L^2}{\pi^2} \Lambda, \quad \begin{array}{ll} m_k \geq 1 & \text{DRB} \\ m_k \geq 0 & \text{NRB} \end{array} \right\} \\ &= \frac{\tau_d}{2^d} \left( \frac{L}{\pi} \Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^d (1 + o(1)) = \frac{\tau_d}{(2\pi)^d} \cdot \Lambda^{\frac{d}{2}} \cdot \text{vol}(\Omega_L) \cdot (1 + o(1)) \\ &= \int \int_{x \in \Omega, \|\xi\|^2 \leq \Lambda} \frac{dx \cdot d\xi}{(2\pi)^d} (1 + o(1)) \quad \text{as } \Lambda \rightarrow +\infty \end{aligned}$$

$\tau_d$  Volume of the unit ball in the dimension d

# A bit of history

W. Wien, NP 1911



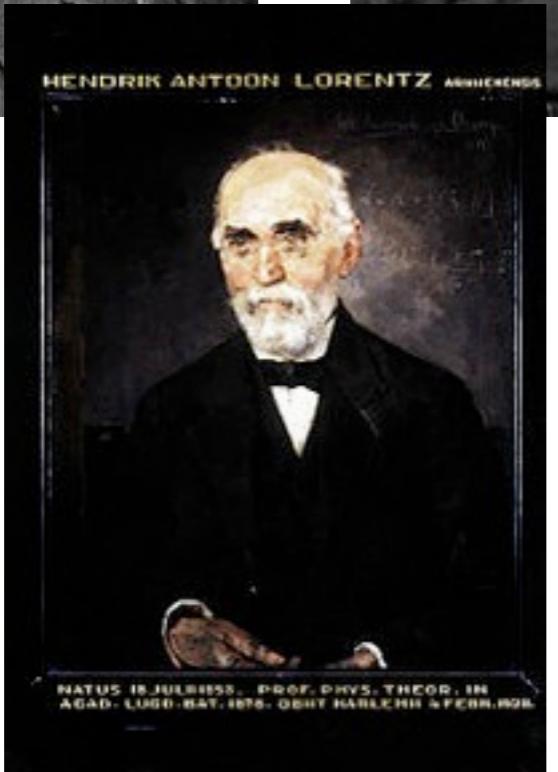
Baron Rayleigh, NP 1904



M. Planck, NP 1918



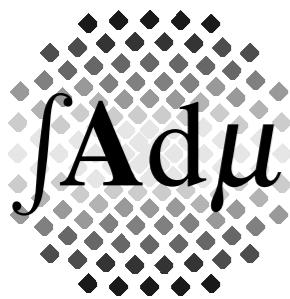
Sir J. Jeans



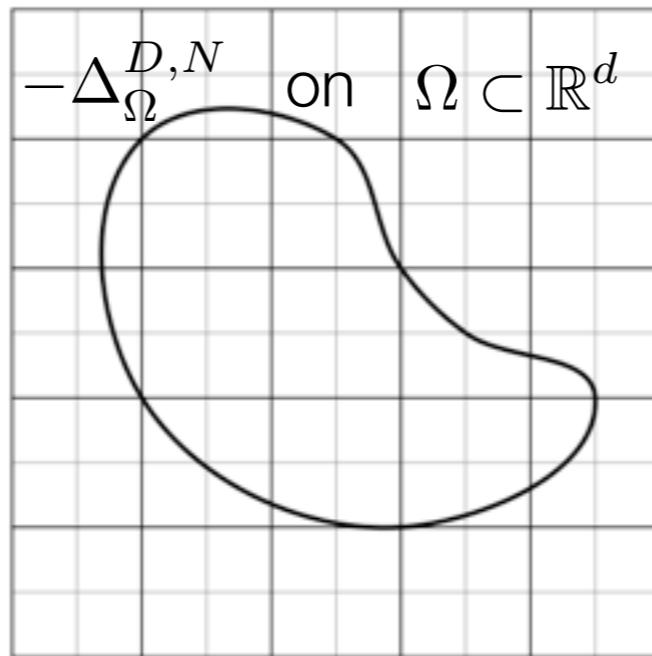
H. A. Lorentz, NP 1902

D. Hilbert

H. Weyl



# 100th anniversary of Weyl's law



H. Weyl: Über die Abhängigkeit der Eigenschwingungen einer Membran von deren Begrenzung, Journal für die reine und angewandte Mathematik 141 (1912) 1–11.

H. Weyl: Über das Spektrum der Hohlraumstrahlung." Journal für die reine und angewandte Mathematik 141 (1912) 163–181.

$$n_{D,N}^\Omega(\Lambda) = \frac{\tau_d}{(2\pi)^d} \cdot \Lambda^{\frac{d}{2}} \cdot \text{vol}(\Omega) + o(\Lambda^{\frac{d}{2}}) \quad \text{as } \Lambda \rightarrow +\infty$$

1911-1912

$$n_{D,N}^\Omega(\Lambda) = \frac{\tau_d}{(2\pi)^d} \cdot \Lambda^{\frac{d}{2}} \cdot \text{vol}(\Omega) \mp \frac{1}{4} \frac{\tau_{d-1}}{(2\pi)^{d-1}} \Lambda^{\frac{d-1}{2}} |\partial\Omega| + o(\Lambda^{\frac{d-1}{2}}) \quad \text{as } \Lambda \rightarrow +\infty$$

under additional geometrical conditions, V. Ivrii in 1980

# 50th anniversary of Pólya's conjecture

Weyl:

$$n_{D,N}^{\Omega}(\Lambda) = \frac{\tau_d}{(2\pi)^d} \cdot \Lambda^{\frac{d}{2}} \cdot \text{vol}(\Omega) + o(\Lambda^{\frac{d}{2}}) \quad \text{as } \Lambda \rightarrow +\infty$$



G. Pólya: "On the eigenvalues of a vibrating membrane", Proc. London Math. Soc. 11 (1961) 419– 433.

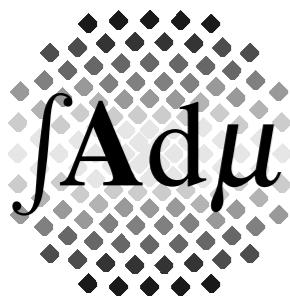
He proves in a sublime way  
an amazing bound  
for **tiling** domains:

$$n_D^{\Omega}(\Lambda) \leq \frac{\tau_d}{(2\pi)^d} \cdot \Lambda^{\frac{d}{2}} \cdot \text{vol}(\Omega) \quad \text{for all } \Lambda > 0$$

Pólya conjectures this bound to be true for **all** domains.  
This conjecture is still unresolved!

It is supported by the second term in the Weyl asymptotics

$$n_D^{\Omega}(\Lambda) = \frac{\tau_d}{(2\pi)^d} \cdot \Lambda^{\frac{d}{2}} \cdot \text{vol}(\Omega) - \frac{1}{4} \frac{\tau_{d-1}}{(2\pi)^{d-1}} \Lambda^{\frac{d-1}{2}} |\partial\Omega| + o(\Lambda^{\frac{d-1}{2}}) \quad \text{as } \Lambda \rightarrow +\infty$$



# Some (almost) new results Pólya's conjecture fails for magnetic fields!

Replace  $-\Delta_{\Omega}^D$  by  $(i\nabla + A(x))^2_{D,\Omega}$ , where  $A(x)$  is a magnetic vector potential.

Since

$$\int \int_{x \in \Omega, \|\xi\|^2 \leq \Lambda} \frac{dx \cdot d\xi}{(2\pi)^d} = \int \int_{x \in \Omega, \|\xi + A(x)\|^2 \leq \Lambda} \frac{dx \cdot d\xi}{(2\pi)^d}$$

the phase space volume does not change and, moreover, the Weyl asymptotics

$$n_D^{\Omega}(\Lambda; A) = \frac{\tau_d}{(2\pi)^d} \cdot \Lambda^{\frac{d}{2}} \cdot \text{vol}(\Omega) \cdot (1 + o(1)) \quad \text{as } \Lambda \rightarrow +\infty$$

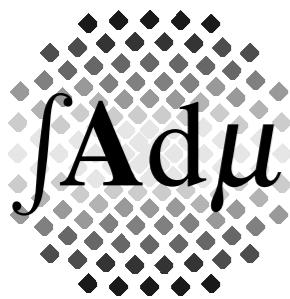
remains true (under mild regularity conditions on  $A$  ).

At the same time for constant magnetic fields  $A(x) = 2^{-1}B(x_2, -x_1)$   
we prove a modified 2d-Pólya bound with a sharp constant

$$n_D^{\Omega}(\Lambda; A) \leq 2 \frac{\tau_2}{(2\pi)^2} \cdot \Lambda \cdot \text{vol}(\Omega) \quad \text{for all } \Lambda > 0$$

R. Frank  
M. Loss  
T.W.  
2008

This constant can be approached on squares with properly scaled  $\Lambda$  and  $B$ .  
Hence, it cannot be improved even for tiling domains.



# Riesz means of eigenvalues

Alongside with the individual eigenvalues  $\lambda_m^D(\Omega)$  it is useful to consider the Riesz means

$$S_{\sigma,d}(\Lambda, \Omega) = \sum_m (\Lambda - \lambda_m^D(\Omega))_+^\sigma, \quad \sigma \geq 0.$$

and compare it with the phase space average

$$S_{\sigma,d}^{\text{cl}}(\Lambda, \Omega) = \iint_{x \in \Omega, \|\xi\|^2 \leq \Lambda} (\Lambda - |\xi|^2)_+^\sigma \frac{dx \cdot d\xi}{(2\pi)^d} = L_{\sigma,d}^{\text{cl}} \Lambda^{\sigma + \frac{d}{2}} \text{vol}(\Omega)$$

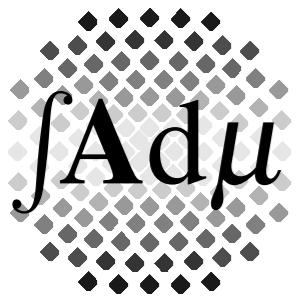
where the classical Lieb-Thirring constant  $L_{\sigma,d}^{\text{cl}}$  equals to  $\frac{\Gamma(\sigma + 1)}{2^d \pi^{d/2} \Gamma(\sigma + \frac{d}{2} + 1)}$ .

Integrating the Weyl asymptotics for the counting function one has

$$\sum_m (\Lambda - \lambda_m^D(\Omega))_+^\sigma = S_{\sigma,d}(\Lambda, \Omega) = S_{\sigma,d}^{\text{cl}}(\Lambda, \Omega)(1 + o(1)) = L_{\sigma,d}^{\text{cl}} \Lambda^{\sigma + \frac{d}{2}} \text{vol}(\Omega)(1 + o(1))$$

for  $\Lambda \rightarrow +\infty$ .

The case  $\sigma = 0$  corresponds to the counting function  $n_D^\Omega(\Lambda) = S_{0,d}(\Lambda, \Omega)$ .



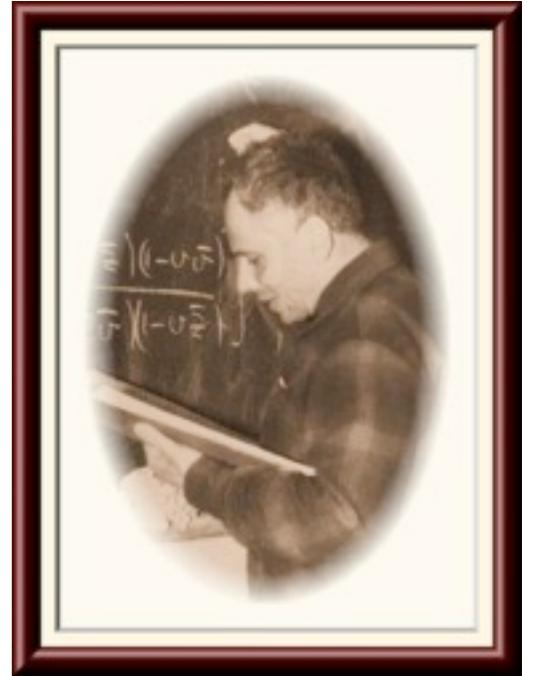
# 40th anniversary of Berezin's bound

Pólyas (non-magnetic) bound implies

$$S_{\sigma,d}(\Lambda, \Omega) \leq S_{\sigma,d}^{\text{cl}}(\Lambda, \Omega)$$

for all **tiling** domains  $\Omega$  and all  $\sigma, \Lambda > 0$ .

Berezin proved 1972  
this bound for **all**  
domains  $\Omega$  and  
 $\sigma \geq 1, \Lambda > 0$

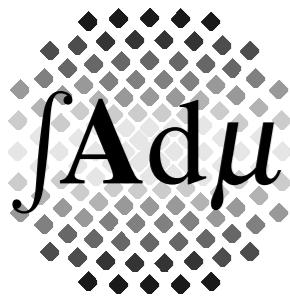


One can now ask, whether a bound

$$S_{\sigma,d}(\Lambda, \Omega) \leq c(\sigma, d) S_{\sigma,d}^{\text{cl}}(\Lambda, \Omega)$$

holds true for **all**  
domains?

His result implies also  
this bound with  
(probably)  
non-sharp constants  
 $c(\sigma, d)$   
for all  
 $0 \leq \sigma < 1, \Lambda > 0$ .



# 40th anniversary of Berezin's bound

$$S_{\sigma,d}(\Lambda, \Omega, A) \leq c(\sigma, d) S_{\sigma,d}^{\text{cl}}(\Lambda, \Omega)$$

If one allows for constant magnetic fields  $A(x) = 2^{-1}B(x_2, -x_1)$ , then

$$c(\sigma, 2) = 2 \left( \frac{\sigma}{1 + \sigma} \right)^\sigma > 1 \quad \text{for} \quad 0 \leq \sigma < 1 \quad \text{Frank, Loss, W.}$$

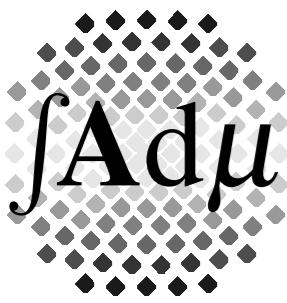
is the best possible constant, which is independent on the strength of A.

Moreover, if the domain is tiling, then

$$S_{\sigma,2}(\Omega, \Lambda, \mathcal{A}) \leq \mathfrak{B}_\sigma(B, \Lambda) \text{vol}(\Omega), \quad \mathfrak{B}_\sigma(B, \Lambda) = \frac{B}{2\pi} \sum_{k \geq 0} (\Lambda - B(2k + 1))_+^\sigma.$$

Moreover, for constant magnetic fields one has  $c(\sigma, d) = 1$  for all  $\sigma \geq 1$ . Erdös, Loss, Wugalter

Finally, for arbitrary magnetic fields one has  $c(\sigma, d) = 1$  for all  $\sigma \geq \frac{3}{2}$ . Laptev, W., Helffer



$$S_{1,d}(\Lambda, \Omega) \leq S_{1,d}^{cl}(\Lambda, \Omega)$$

## Berezin's proof

Put  $\sigma = 1$ . Let  $\{\psi_k\}$  be the ONB of eigenfunctions of  $-\Delta_\Omega^D$  corresponding to  $\{\lambda_k^D(\Omega)\}$ . Extend these Dirichlet eigenfunctions by zero to  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and let  $\{\hat{\psi}_k\}$  be the (ON) FT.

$$\sum_{k:\lambda_k^D < \Lambda} (\Lambda - \lambda_k^D) = \sum_{k:\lambda_k^D < \Lambda} \left( \Lambda - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\nabla \psi_k|^2 dx \right) = \sum_{k:\lambda_k^D < \Lambda} \left( \Lambda - \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \|\xi\|^2 |\hat{\psi}_k|^2 d\xi \right)$$

Since  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\hat{\psi}_k|^2 d\xi = 1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k:\lambda_k^D < \Lambda} (\Lambda - \lambda_k^D) &= \sum_{k:\lambda_k^D < \Lambda} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\Lambda - \|\xi\|^2) |\hat{\psi}_k|^2 d\xi = \int_{\|\xi\|^2 < \Lambda} (\Lambda - \|\xi\|^2) \sum_k |\hat{\psi}_k|^2 d\xi \\ &\quad + \sum_{k:\lambda_k^D < \Lambda} \int_{\|\xi\|^2 \geq \Lambda} (\Lambda - \|\xi\|^2) |\hat{\psi}_k|^2 d\xi - \sum_{k:\lambda_k^D \geq \Lambda} \int_{\|\xi\|^2 < \Lambda} (\Lambda - \|\xi\|^2) |\hat{\psi}_k|^2 d\xi \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\sum_k |\hat{\psi}_k|^2 = (2\pi)^{-d} \sum_k \left| \langle \psi_k, e^{i\xi \cdot} \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)} \right|^2 = (2\pi)^{-d} \|e^{i\xi \cdot}\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 = (2\pi)^{-d} \text{vol}(\Omega)$

$$S_{1,d}(\Lambda, \Omega) = \sum_{k:\lambda_k^D < \Lambda} (\Lambda - \lambda_k^D) = S_{1,d}^{cl}(\Lambda, \Omega) + r(\Lambda, \Omega), \quad r(\Lambda, \Omega) \leq 0.$$

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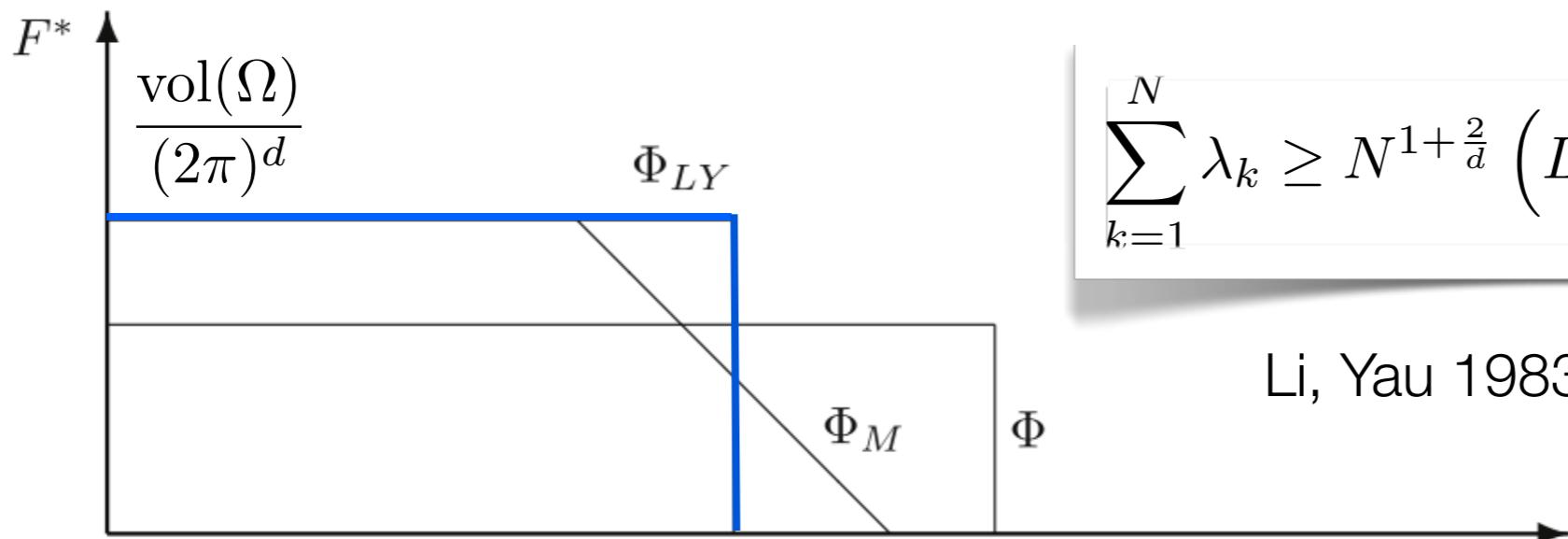
Extend these Dirichlet eigenfunctions by zero to  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and let  $\{\hat{\psi}_k\}$  be the (ON) FT.

$$F_N(\xi) = \sum_{j=1}^N |\hat{\psi}_j(\xi)|^2 \leq (2\pi)^{-d} \|e^{i\xi x}\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 = (2\pi)^{-d} \text{vol}(\Omega).$$

$$\int F_N(\xi) d\xi = N$$

We estimate

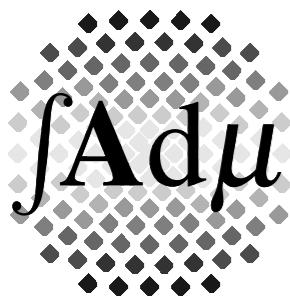
$$I(F_N) = \sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\xi|^2 F_N(\xi) d\xi$$



$$\sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k \geq N^{1+\frac{2}{d}} \left(L_{0,d}^{\text{cl}} \text{vol}(\Omega)\right)^{-\frac{2}{d}} \frac{d}{2+d}$$

Li, Yau 1983

**Fig. 1.** Minimizers of the functional  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\xi|^2 F^*(|\xi|) d\xi$

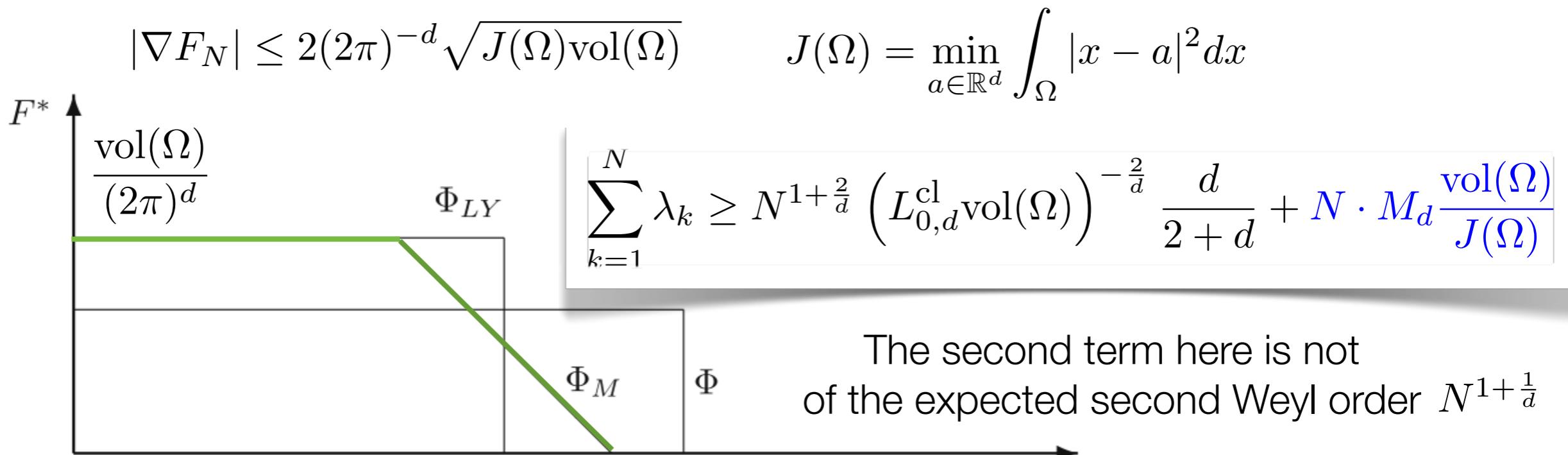


# Li-Yau, Melas and beyond

We still estimate  $I(F_N) = \sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\xi|^2 F_N(\xi) d\xi$

$$F_N(\xi) = \sum_{j=1}^N |\hat{\psi}_j(\xi)|^2 \leq (2\pi)^{-d} \|e^{i\xi x}\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 = (2\pi)^{-d} \text{vol}(\Omega). \quad \int F_N(\xi) d\xi = N$$

Melas takes into account the following additional condition



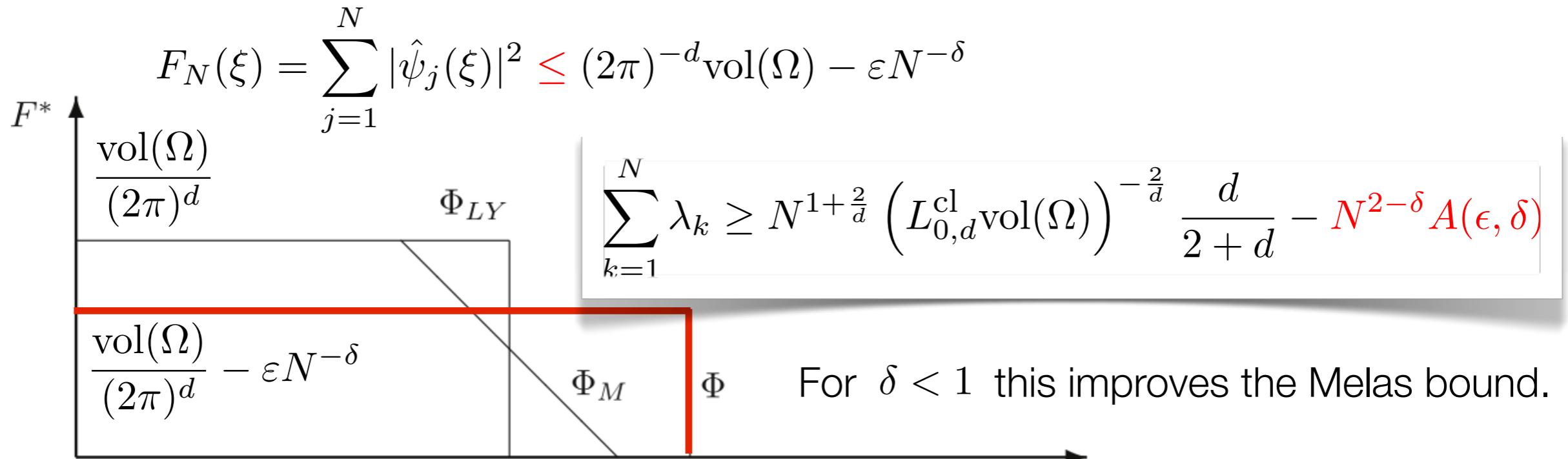
$$\sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k = \frac{d}{2+d} \left( L_{0,d}^{\text{cl}} \right)^{-\frac{2}{d}} (\text{vol}(\Omega))^{-\frac{2}{d}} N^{1+\frac{2}{d}} + \frac{\textcolor{blue}{L_{1,d-1}^{\text{cl}} (L_{1,d}^{\text{cl}})^{-1-\frac{1}{d}}}}{4(\frac{d-1}{2} + 1)} \cdot \frac{|\partial\Omega|}{(\text{vol}(\Omega))^{1+\frac{1}{d}}} N^{1+\frac{1}{d}} + o(N^{1+\frac{1}{d}})$$

$$I(F_N) = \sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\xi|^2 F_N(\xi) d\xi \quad \int F_N(\xi) d\xi = N$$

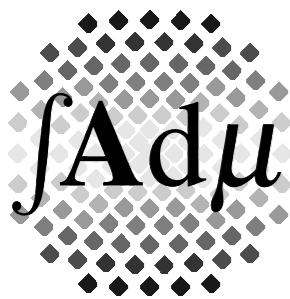
$$F_N(\xi) = \sum_{j=1}^N |\hat{\psi}_j(\xi)|^2 \leq (2\pi)^{-d} \|e^{i\xi x}\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 = (2\pi)^{-d} \text{vol}(\Omega)$$

But that is picking the wrong fight. The true remainder term is hidden in Bessel's inequality

Assume we could quantify the remainder in Bessel's inequality as follows



**Fig. 1.** Minimizers of the functional  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\xi|^2 F^*(|\xi|) d\xi$



# Li-Yau, Melas and beyond

Put  $d = 2$  and  $V = \text{vol}(\Omega)$ . Moreover, let  $J = \min_{a \in \mathbb{R}^d} \int_{\Omega} |x - a|^2 dx$ .  
Then we have the Li-Yau bound

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j \geq \frac{2\pi}{V} N^2$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j \geq \frac{2\pi}{V} N^2 + \frac{V}{32J} N$$

Let  $\Omega$  be a polygon with  $n$  sides.

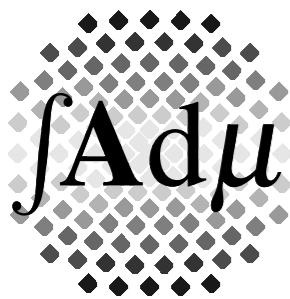
Moreover,  $l_j$  is the length of the  $j$ -th side  $p_j$  and  $d_j$  is the distance of the middle third of  $p_j$  to  $\partial\Omega \setminus p_j$ .

Kovarik, Vougalter, W.

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k \geq \frac{2\pi}{V} N^2 + \frac{4\alpha c_3}{V^{\frac{3}{2}}} N^{\frac{3}{2}-\epsilon(N)} \sum_{j=1}^n l_j \Theta\left(N - \frac{9V}{2\pi d_j^2}\right) + (1-\alpha) \frac{V}{32J} N$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k = \frac{2\pi}{V} N^2 + \frac{16\sqrt{2\pi}}{9} \cdot \frac{|\partial\Omega|}{V^{\frac{3}{2}}} N^{\frac{3}{2}} + o(N^{\frac{3}{2}})$$

$$\epsilon(N) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\log_2(2\pi N/c_1)}}, \quad c_1 = \sqrt{\frac{3\pi}{14}} 10^{-11}, \quad c_3 = \frac{2^{-3}}{9\sqrt{2}36} (2\pi)^{\frac{5}{4}} c_1^{1/4}$$



# Berezin and Li-Yau via Legendre transformation

For convex, non-negative  $f(x)$ ,  $x > 0$ , the Legendre transformation is given by

$$f^\wedge(p) = \sup_{x>0} (px - f(x)), \quad p > 0.$$

From  $f(x) \leq g(x)$  it follows that  $f^\wedge(p) \geq g^\wedge(p)$ .

In view of

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_k (x - \lambda_k)_+ \right)^\wedge(p) &= (p - [p])\lambda_{[p]+1} + \sum_{k=1}^{[p]} \lambda_k, \\ \left( L_{1,d}^{\text{cl}} \text{vol}(\Omega) x^{1+\frac{d}{2}} \right)^\wedge(p) &= p^{1+\frac{2}{d}} \left( L_{0,d}^{\text{cl}} \text{vol}(\Omega) \right)^{-\frac{2}{d}} \frac{d}{2+d}. \end{aligned}$$

Berezin's bound

$$\sum_k (\Lambda - \lambda_k)_+ \leq L_{1,d}^{\text{cl}} \text{vol}(\Omega) \Lambda^{1+\frac{d}{2}}$$

Reversely,  
the Melas improvement

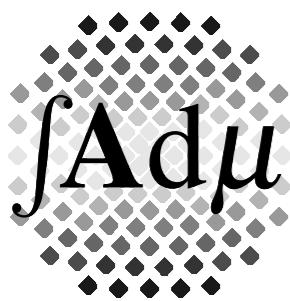
is dual to a  
Berezin bound with energy shift

is dual to the Li-Yau inequality

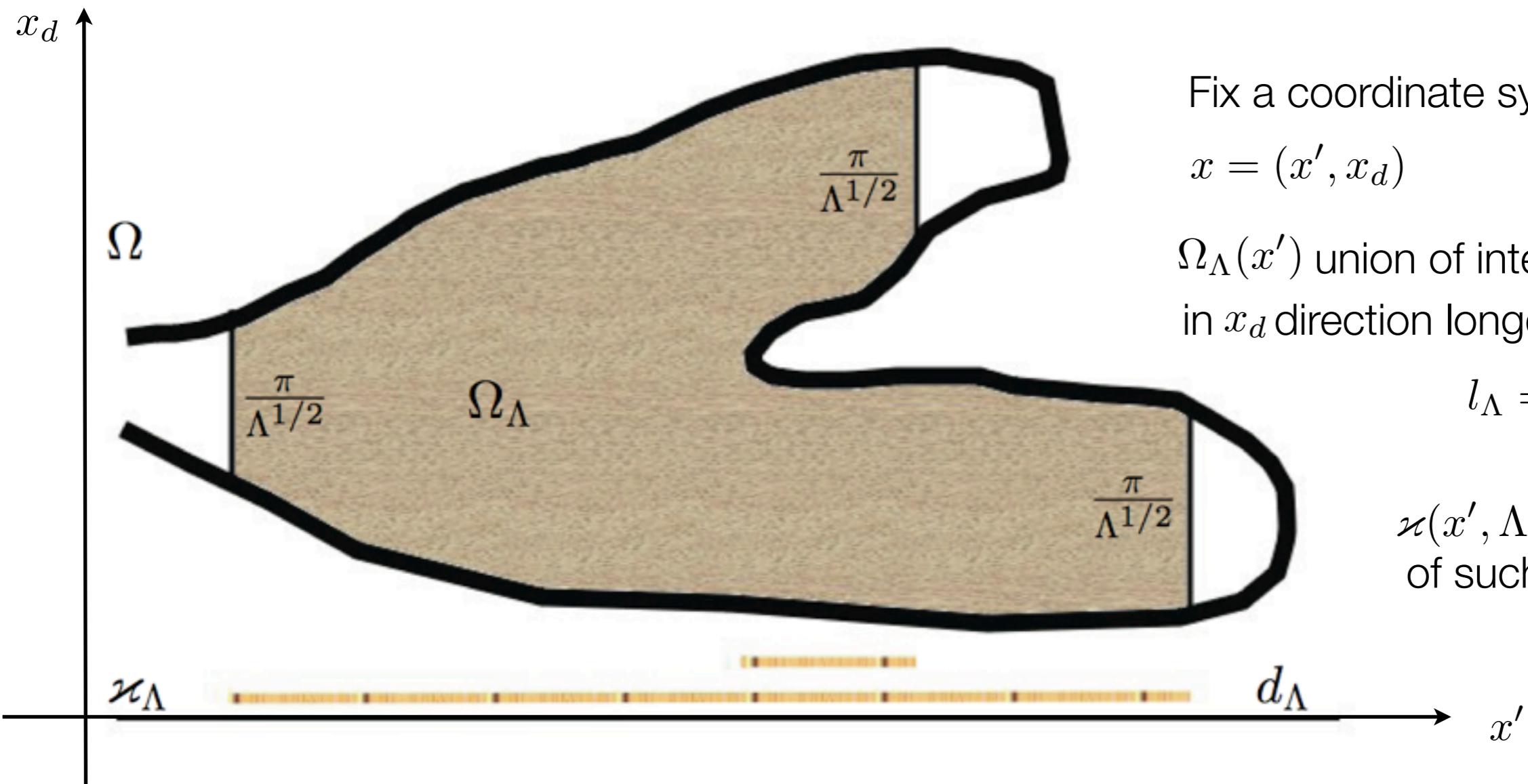
$$\sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k \geq N^{1+\frac{2}{d}} \left( L_{0,d}^{\text{cl}} \text{vol}(\Omega) \right)^{-\frac{2}{d}} \frac{d}{2+d}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k \geq N^{1+\frac{2}{d}} \left( L_{0,d}^{\text{cl}} \text{vol}(\Omega) \right)^{-\frac{2}{d}} \frac{d}{2+d} + M_d \frac{\text{vol}(\Omega)}{J(\Omega)} \cdot N$$

$$\sum_k (\Lambda - \lambda_k)_+ \leq L_{1,d}^{\text{cl}} \text{vol}(\Omega) \left( \Lambda - M_d \frac{\text{vol}(\Omega)}{J(\Omega)} \right)^{1+\frac{d}{2}}.$$

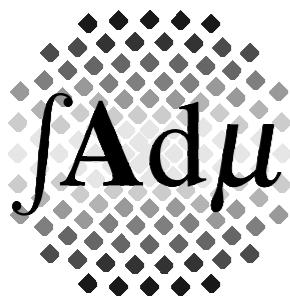


# Improved Berezin bounds for $\sigma \geq 3/2$ .



$$\Omega_\Lambda = \bigcup_{x' \in \mathbb{R}^{d-1}} \Omega_\Lambda(x') \subset \Omega \quad \text{subset of „local“ width exceeding} \quad l_\Lambda = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{\Lambda}}$$

$$d_\Lambda(\Omega) = \int_{x' \in \mathbb{R}^{d-1}} \kappa(x', \Lambda) dx' \quad \text{„weighted“ projection of } \Omega_\Lambda$$



$$S_{\sigma,d}(\Omega, \Lambda) \leq S_{\sigma,d}^{\text{cl}}(\Omega, \Lambda)$$

# Improved Berezin bounds for $\sigma \geq 3/2$ .

For any  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\sigma \geq 3/2$  and any  $\Lambda > 0$  we have

$$S_{\sigma,d}(\Omega, \Lambda) \leq \underbrace{L_{\sigma,d}^{\text{cl}} \text{vol}(\Omega_\Lambda) \Lambda^{\sigma+\frac{d}{2}}}_{S_{\sigma,d}^{\text{cl}}(\Omega_\Lambda; \Lambda)} - \nu(\sigma, d) 4^{-1} L_{\sigma,d-1}^{\text{cl}} d_\Lambda(\Omega) \Lambda^{\sigma+\frac{d-1}{2}}$$

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The bound improves already the **main term**:  
It equals  $S_{\sigma,d}^{\text{cl}}(\Omega_\Lambda; \Lambda) \leq S_{\sigma,d}^{\text{cl}}(\Omega; \Lambda)$

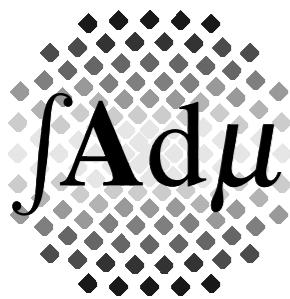
Only the portion  $\Omega_\Lambda$  of  $\Omega$  which is wide enough enters the bound.

The bound contains also a **negative term** related to the second term in the Weyl asymptotics as  $\Lambda \rightarrow +\infty$

$$S_{\sigma,d}(\Omega, \Lambda) = \underbrace{L_{\sigma,d}^{cl} \text{vol}(\Omega) \Lambda^{\sigma+d/2}}_{S_{\sigma,d}^{cl}(\Omega, \Lambda)} - \frac{1}{4} L_{\sigma,d-1}^{cl} |\partial\Omega| \Lambda^{\sigma+(d-1)/2} + o(\Lambda^{\sigma+(d-1)/2})$$

The results remains true for the case of magnetic fields.

The results are applicable even to certain unbounded domains.

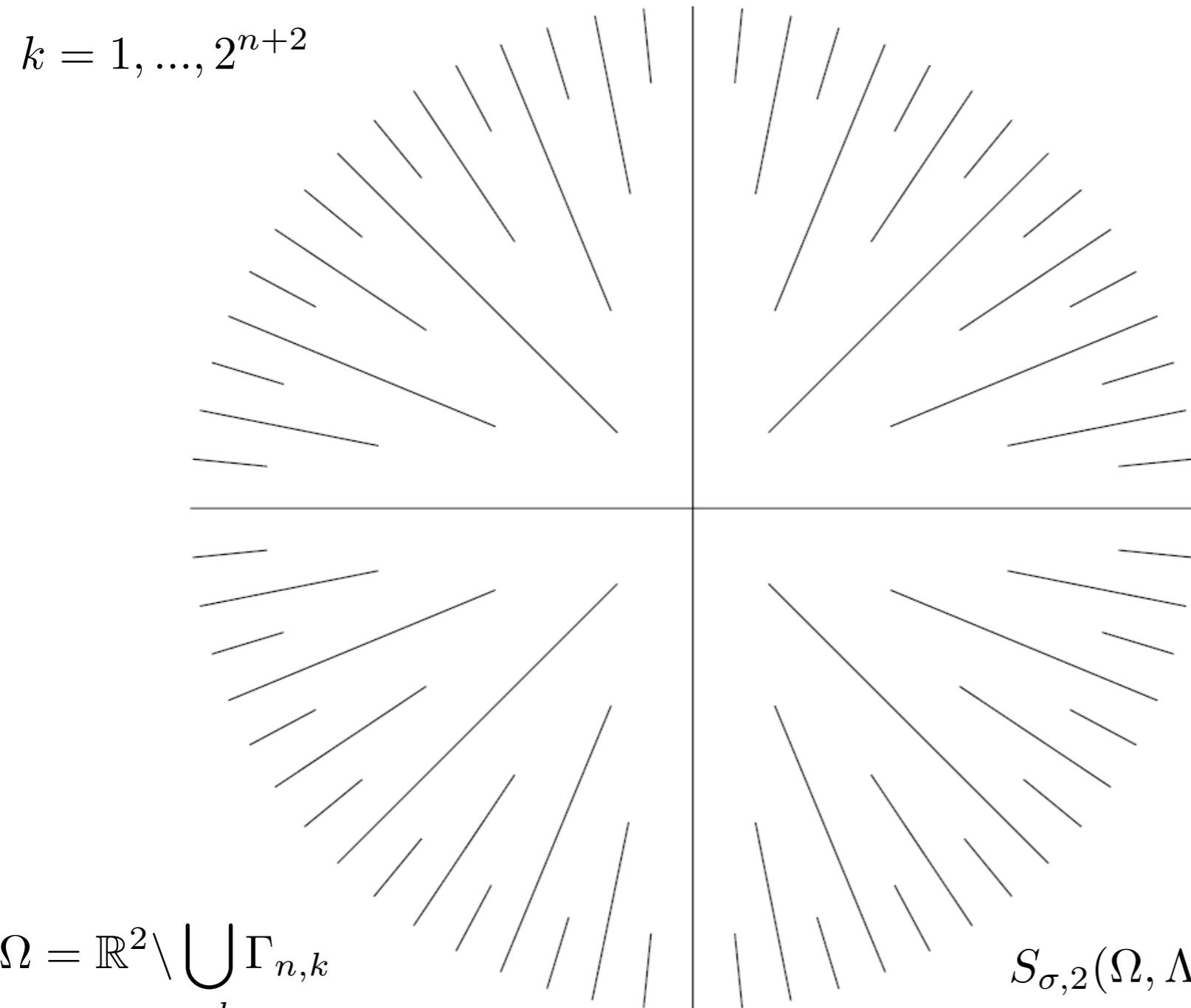


$$\sigma \geq \frac{3}{2}$$

# Sharp Berezin bounds in unbounded domains

$$\Gamma_{k,n} = \left\{ (r, \phi) \mid r \geq r_n, \phi = \frac{k-1}{2^{n+1}}\pi \right\}$$

$$k = 1, \dots, 2^{n+2}$$



$$r_n = 2^{\delta n} \quad 0 < \delta < 1$$

$$S_{\sigma,2}(\Omega, \Lambda) = 0$$

$$\Lambda < 15 \cdot 2^{-2(1+\delta)}$$

$$S_{\sigma,2}(\Omega, \Lambda) \leq C_{\sigma,\delta} \Lambda^{\sigma + \frac{1}{1-\delta}}$$

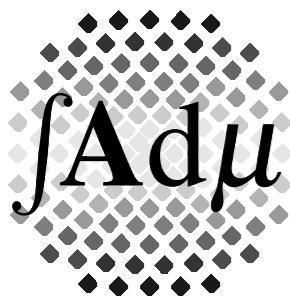
$$\Lambda \geq 15 \cdot 2^{-2(1+\delta)}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} 2^{-n} r_n = 0$$

$$r_n = n$$

$$S_{\sigma,2}(\Omega, \Lambda) = 0 \quad \text{if } \Lambda < \frac{15}{4}$$

$$S_{\sigma,2}(\Omega, \Lambda) \leq C_{\sigma} \Lambda^{\sigma+1} (\ln \Lambda)^2 \quad \text{if } \Lambda \geq \frac{15}{4}$$



# Lieb-Thirring bounds for operator valued potentials

We consider Schrödinger operators with operator valued potentials

$$H = -\Delta \otimes \mathbf{1}_G - W(x) \quad \text{on} \quad L^2(\mathbb{R}^d, G)$$

Crucial is the following extention of the Lieb-Thirring bounds

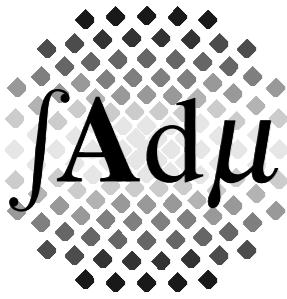
$$\text{tr}_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d, G)} H_-^\sigma \leq L_{\sigma, d}^{cl} \int \text{tr}_G W_+^{\sigma + \frac{d}{2}}(x) dx, \quad \sigma \geq 3/2$$

Let us apply this to  $-\Delta_\Omega^D$  for  $d = 2$  and  $\sigma = 3/2$ .

By the variational principle we have

$$-\Delta_D^\Omega - \Lambda = -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} + \left( -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_2^2} - \Lambda \right) \geq -\frac{d^2}{dx_1^2} - W_-(x_1) \text{ on } L_2(\mathbb{R}, L_2(\mathbb{R}))$$

where  $W(x_1) = (-d^2/dx_2^2)_D^{\Omega_\Lambda(x_1)} - \Lambda$  is the Dirichlet problem on the intervals in  $\Omega_\Lambda(x_1)$  with the eigenvalues  $\mu_k(x_1) \geq \pi^2 k^2 l^{-2}(x_1) - \Lambda$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . ( $l(x_1)$  total length of  $\Omega_\Lambda(x_1)$ )



# Closing the argument

$$S_{3/2,2}(\Omega, \Lambda) \leq S_{3/2,2}^{\text{cl}}(\Omega_\Lambda, \Lambda) - \nu(3/2, 2) \cdot 4^{-1} L_{3/2,1}^{\text{cl}} \cdot d_\Lambda(\Omega) \Lambda^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\frac{3}{2},2}(\Omega, \Lambda) &\leq \operatorname{tr} \left( -\frac{d^2}{dx_1^2} - W_-(x_1) \right)_-^{3/2} \leq \frac{3}{16} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \operatorname{tr} W_-^2(x_1) dx_1 \\ &\leq \frac{3}{16} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \sum_{k \geq 1} \left( \Lambda - \frac{\pi^2 k^2}{l^2(x_1)} \right)_+^2 dx_1 \leq \frac{3}{16} \int_{I_\Lambda} \frac{\pi^4}{l^4(x_1)} \sum_{k=1}^{[l(x_1)l_\Lambda^{-1}]} \left( \frac{l^2(x_1)}{l_\Lambda^2} - k^2 \right)^2 dx_1 \end{aligned}$$

Here  $I_\Lambda = \{x_1 | l(x_1) > l_\Lambda\}$ . Estimating the sum as

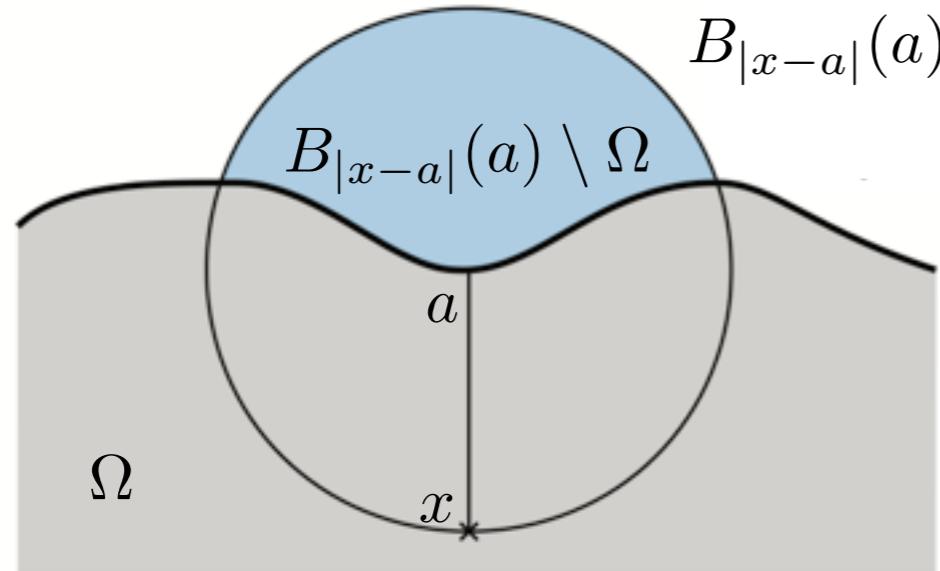
$$\sum_{k=1}^{[l(x_1)l_\Lambda^{-1}]} \left( \frac{l^2(x_1)}{l_\Lambda^2} - k^2 \right)^2 \leq \frac{8}{15} \frac{l^5(x_1)}{l_\Lambda^5} - \varepsilon(2) \frac{l^4(x_1)}{l_\Lambda^4} \quad \text{for } l(x_1) > l_\Lambda$$

we finally get

$$\begin{aligned} S_{3/2,2}(\Omega, \Lambda) &\leq \frac{3}{16} \cdot \frac{8}{15} \cdot \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \Lambda^{5/2} \int_{I_\Lambda} l(x) dx - \frac{3}{16} \varepsilon(2) \Lambda^2 \int_{I_\Lambda} dx \\ &= L_{3/2,2}^{\text{cl}} \operatorname{vol}(\Omega_\Lambda) \Lambda^{5/2} - \varepsilon(2) \cdot L_{3/2,1}^{\text{cl}} \cdot d_\Lambda \Lambda^2. \end{aligned}$$

Here  $0.475 < \varepsilon(2)$ . The best possible constant in this spot can not exceed 0.5.

# A more geometrical version of a two-term Berezin bound



$$\rho(x) = \frac{\text{vol}(B_{|x-a|}(a) \setminus \Omega)}{\text{vol}(B_{|x-a|}(a))}$$

$\delta(x)$  distance to the boundary

$$R(\Lambda) = \left\{ x \mid \delta(x) < 1/(4\sqrt{\Lambda}) \right\}$$

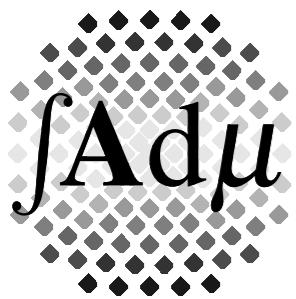
$$M_\Omega(\Lambda) = \int_{R(\Lambda)} \rho(x) dx$$

$$S_{\sigma,d}(\Omega, \Lambda) \leq L_{\sigma,d}^{cl} \text{vol}(\Omega) \Lambda^{\sigma+d/2} - L_{\sigma,d}^{cl} 2^{-d+1} \Lambda^{\sigma+d/2} M_\Omega(\Lambda)$$

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The proof is based on the fact that for  $W(x) = (-d^2/dx_2^2)_D^{\Omega_\Lambda(x_1)} - \Lambda$  we have

$$\text{tr } W_-^\sigma(x_1) \leq L_{\sigma,1}^{\text{cl}} \int_{\Omega_\Lambda(x_1)} \left( \Lambda - \frac{1}{4\delta^2(t)} \right)_+^{\sigma+\frac{1}{2}} dt$$



# Applications to the Heat kernel Kac` inequality

If one uses the monotonicity of the (forward) Laplace transformation

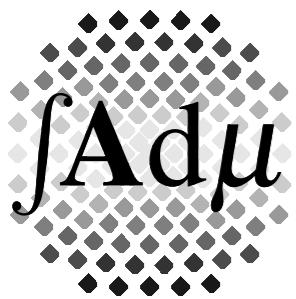
$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}[f](t) &= \int_0^\Lambda f(\Lambda) e^{-t\Lambda} d\Lambda, \\ \mathcal{L}[(\Lambda - \lambda)_+^\sigma](t) &= e^{-t\lambda} t^{-\sigma-1} \Gamma(\sigma + 1), \quad t > 0,\end{aligned}$$

then the Berezin bound for arbitrary  $\sigma \geq 1$  implies

$$\begin{aligned}Z(t) = \text{tr } e^{\Delta t} &= \sum_k e^{-\lambda_k t} = \sum_k \frac{t^{\sigma+1}}{\Gamma(\sigma+1)} \mathcal{L}[(\Lambda - \lambda_k)_+^\sigma](t) \\ &= \frac{t^{\sigma+1}}{\Gamma(\sigma+1)} \mathcal{L}[S_{\sigma,d}(\Omega, \Lambda)](t) \leq \frac{t^{\sigma+1}}{\Gamma(\sigma+1)} \mathcal{L}[S_{\sigma,d}^{cl}(\Omega, \Lambda)](t)\end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$\begin{aligned}Z(t) &\leq \frac{t^{\sigma+1}}{\Gamma(\sigma+1)} L_{\sigma,d}^{cl} \text{vol}(\Omega) \mathcal{L}[\Lambda^{\sigma+d/2}](t) \\ &= \frac{t^{\sigma+1}}{\Gamma(\sigma+1)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(\sigma+1)}{2^d \pi^{d/2} \Gamma(1+\sigma+d/2)} \cdot \text{vol}(\Omega) \Gamma(1+\sigma+d/2) t^{-1-\sigma-d/2} \\ &= \frac{\text{vol}(\Omega)}{(4\pi t)^{d/2}} \quad \text{for any } t > 0.\end{aligned}$$



# An improvement of Kac` inequality

Using the Berezin version of the Melas improvement

$$S_{1,d}(\Omega, \Lambda) \leq S_{1,d}^{\text{cl}} \left( \Omega, \Lambda - M_d \frac{\text{vol}(\Omega)}{J(\Omega)} \right)$$

Harrell and Hermi obtained

$$Z(t) \leq \frac{\text{vol}(\Omega)}{(4\pi t)^{d/2}} e^{-M_d \frac{\text{vol}(\Omega)}{J(\Omega)} t}, \quad t > 0.$$

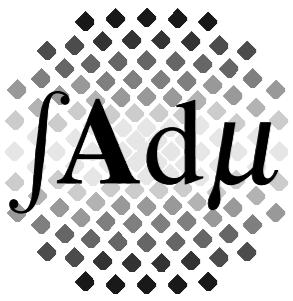
They conjectured

$$Z(t) \leq \frac{\text{vol}(\Omega)}{(4\pi t)^{d/2}} e^{-M_d \frac{t}{(\text{vol}(\Omega))^{2/d}}}, \quad t > 0.$$

Put  $\lambda \in [\tilde{\lambda}, \lambda_1]$  where  $\tilde{\lambda} = \frac{\pi j_{\frac{d}{2}-1,1}^2}{(\Gamma(\frac{d}{2}+1)\text{vol}(\Omega))^{2/d}} \leq \lambda_1$  is the „Faber-Krahn eigenvalue“.

Then

$$Z(t) \leq \frac{\text{vol}(\Omega)}{(4\pi t)^{\frac{d}{2}}} \hat{\Gamma} \left( \sigma_d + \frac{d}{2} + 1, \lambda t \right) - (R(t, \lambda))_+$$



# An improvement of Kac's inequality

In the bound

$$Z(t) \leq \frac{\text{vol}(\Omega)}{(4\pi t)^{\frac{d}{2}}} \hat{\Gamma} \left( \sigma_d + \frac{d}{2} + 1, \lambda t \right) - (R(t, \lambda))_+$$

we use the normalized reduced Gamma function

$$\hat{\Gamma}(z, s) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(z)} \int_s^{+\infty} t^{z-1} e^{-t} dt$$

and the remainder term

$$R(t) = c_{1,d} \frac{(\text{vol}(\Omega))^{\frac{d-1}{d}}}{(4\pi t)^{\frac{d-1}{2}}} \hat{\Gamma} \left( \sigma_d + \frac{d+1}{2}, \lambda t \right) - c_{2,d} \frac{(\text{vol}(\Omega))^{\frac{d-3}{d}}}{(4\pi t)^{\frac{d-3}{2}}} \hat{\Gamma} \left( \sigma_d + \frac{d-1}{2}, \lambda t \right)$$

where

$$c_{1,d} = \frac{B \left( \frac{1}{2}, \sigma_d + \frac{d+1}{2} \right)}{2} \frac{\Gamma \left( \frac{d}{2} + 1 \right)^{\frac{d-1}{d}}}{\Gamma \left( \frac{d+1}{2} \right)} \quad \text{and} \quad c_{2,d} = c_{1,d} \frac{2\pi^2(d-1)\Gamma \left( \frac{d}{2} + 1 \right)^{-\frac{2}{d}}}{96(2\sigma_d + d - 1)}$$

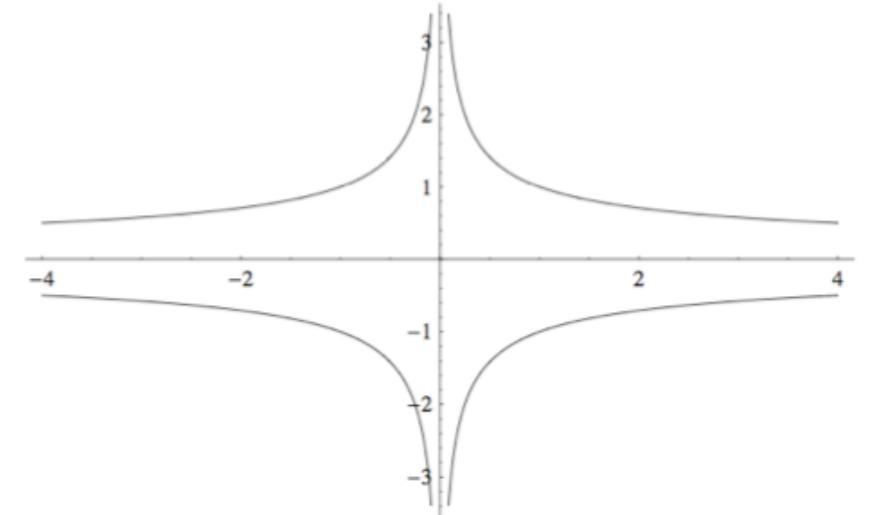
with  $\sigma_2 = \frac{5}{2}$ ,  $\sigma_3 = 2$  and  $\sigma_d = \frac{3}{2}$  for  $d \geq 4$ .

This beats the conjecture up to  $d = 633$ .

# Horn shaped domains

Consider two-dimensional horn shaped domains

$$\Omega_f = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x \in \mathbb{R}, |y| < f(x)\}.$$



Then for  $f(s) = f_\mu(s) = s^{-\frac{1}{\mu}}$  with  $\mu > 1$  one has

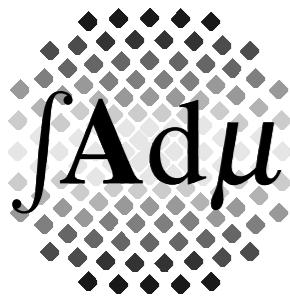
$$Z(t; \Omega_{f_\mu}) = \frac{\Gamma\left(1 + \frac{\mu}{2}\right) \zeta(\mu)}{2\pi^{\mu+\frac{1}{2}}} t^{-\frac{\mu+1}{2}} + o\left(t^{-\frac{\mu+1}{2}}\right) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0+.$$

Cutting the domain and dropping the remainder term we get in view of

$$Z(t) = \frac{t^{\sigma+1}}{\Gamma(\sigma+1)} \mathcal{L}[S_{\sigma,d}(\Omega, \Lambda)] \leq \frac{t^{\sigma+1}}{\Gamma(\sigma+1)} \mathcal{L}[S_{\sigma,d}^{cl}(\Omega_\Lambda, \Lambda)]$$

the asymptotically sharp estimate

$$Z(t; \Omega_{f_\mu}) \leq \frac{\Gamma\left(1 + \frac{\mu}{2}\right) \zeta(\mu)}{2\pi^{\mu+\frac{1}{2}}} t^{-\frac{\mu+1}{2}} \quad \text{for all } t > 0 \quad \text{and } \mu > 1.$$



# Open Problems

1. Settle Pólya's hypothesis!  $n_D^\Omega(\Lambda) = S_{0,d}(\Omega, \Lambda) \leq S_{0,d}^{cl}(\Omega, \Lambda) = \frac{\tau_d}{(2\pi)^d} \Lambda^{\frac{d}{2}} \text{vol}(\Omega)$

2. Improve the Berezin bound  
for  $\sigma = 1$  in any of the  
following ways:

$$\begin{aligned} S_{1,d}(\Omega, \Lambda) &\leq S_{1,d}^{cl}(\Omega_\Lambda, \Lambda) \\ S_{1,d}(\Omega, \Lambda) &\leq S_{1,d}^{cl}(\Omega, \Lambda) - c(d)d_\Lambda(\Omega)\Lambda^{1+\frac{d-1}{2}} \\ S_{1,d}(\Omega, \Lambda) &\leq S_{1,d}^{cl}(\Omega_\Lambda, \Lambda) - c(d)d_\Lambda(\Omega)\Lambda^{1+\frac{d-1}{2}} \\ S_{1,d}(\Omega, \Lambda) &\leq S_{1,d}^{cl}(\Omega, \Lambda) - c(d)\Lambda^{1+\frac{d}{2}} M_\Omega(\Lambda) \end{aligned}$$

Thank you for your attention!